WINDOWS PROVE ROAD TO SAFETY

Occupants of Blazing Dwelling at Petersburg Make Escape.

MINOR CASES IN COURT.

Ettrick Man Sent On to Grand Jury as Result of Cutting.

> Times-Dispatch Bureau, 109 North Sycamore Street,

Petersburg, Va., December 13. dwelling on Hinton Street, occu pled by Engineer E. M. Taylor, of the pled by Engineer E. M. Taylor, of the Scaboard Air Line Railway, and his mother, was considerably damaged by fire between 11 and 12 o'clock last night, but the building was saved from destruction by the prompt work of the department. The fire started in the basement, and had gained such headdepartment. The fire started in the basement, and had gained such headway that Mr. Taylor and his mother and sister, Mrs. George Grizzard. of Savannah, Ga., and her two children were forced to escape through the second story windows on to the roof and through the adjoining house. The family were aroused by the smoke, which soon filled the house, and by which Mr. Taylor, in returning to save some valuable property, was almost prostrated. The house is the property of James Brockwell. The interior walls and much of the furniture were damaged by the heat and smoke.

Sent On for Trial.

During a quarrel late Saturday night in a boarding house on Bollingbrook Street, A. J. Sheffield, of Dinwiddle county, was cut in the left arm by J. II. Whitmore, of Ettrick, and blows were passed. The two men were strangers to each other, and it seems they had been assigned to the same room for the night. This proved not to be agreeable, and was the cause of the trouble. In the Police Court this morning, after investigation of the case. Whitmore was sent on to the Hustings Court and was balled in the sum of \$200 for his appearance.

Binwiddle Circuit Court.

The December term of the Circuit Court of Dinwiddle, Judge Walter A. Watson, will begin next Monday, but probably, on account of the nearness of Christmas, but little will be done. The most interesting cases on the docket are those of the Richmond detectives. L. T. Branch and Dennis Roe, the latter colored, who appealed from a sentence of fine and imprisonment for assault and false imprisonment imposed by Justice Watkins. These, asses are an aftermath of the famous Luia Joyner kidnapping affair some years ago.

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News in General.

The farmers are rejoicing over the warm rains of last night and to-day because of the favorable season afforded, the first in over two months, for preparing their tobacco for market. And the buyers are no less happy, As soon as the weather clears up a great rush of tobacco to market is expected.

The horses of several physicians and other citizens are quarantined in Gill's stables, on Bank Street, where they were exposed to animals afflicted with glanders, and which had to be killed. There have been no further cases of the disease.

Mrs. Margaret Minton Harrell, aged seventy-six years, died this morning at the home of her son. J. A. Minton, on Pearl Street, after a very brief illness. She is survived by four sons and two daughters.

The remains of the late J. Lee Minetree, who died suddenly in Santa Fe. New Mexico, on December 8, will arrive in the city to-morrow, and the funeral will take place at noon on Wednesday from the First Baptist Church.

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Wednesday from the Church.

Senator Charles T. Lassiter, of this city, left to-day on a ten days' visit to Brunswick, Mecklenburg and other counties in the interest of his candidacy for Congress.

A large number of people visited on Sunday the scene of the recent coal train wreck on the Norfolk and Western Railway, near Ferndale Park, Great quantities of coal are spread along the track, which will be removed by the company.



Holiday Orders Promptly Filled and Entire Satisfaction Guaranteed

Catering a Special Feature

Experience is one thing that is absolutely essential in this line of our business. Mr. C. F. Ross, the active head of this company, has been many years years exclusively in this line. He was for twelve years with the Jefferson Hotel, in this city, and several years with the Monti-cello, in Norfolk, beside other important connections with various high-class hostelries from New York to Tampa. He has served with satisfaction McKinley, Roosevelt and Taft, Rockefeller, J. P. Morgan, the Goulds, Vanderbilts, and many other prominent men. The people of this city are fast recognizing and appreciating the advantages which this department is offering-those whom we have served are entirely satisfied, and to those who will give us an opportunity we guarantee satisfaction. Reasonable prices prevail. We use only the purest ingredients in our products, and the most sanitary conditions exist.

We are prepared to serve any class of entertainment on short notice, and for out-of-town occasions we will send an expert to see that every detail is minutely carried out. Our services are appreciated at weddings, parties, dinners, luncheons, etc.

Cake and Pastry Department

In this department the minutest details are carefully watched. The scales on which the sugar, butter, spices and all other ingredients are weighed are tested each day, in order that all of our products may be uniform. We men-tion this simply to show how carefully we are about the details.

The delicious flakey crispness of our pastry is beyond verbal description, as our numerous satisfied customers will agree. Just taste it once and no other will satisfy you. A word about

our Fruit Cake: We have a receipt which has been in Mr. Ross's family for sixty years, and if you don't select anything else from our store, we want you to be sure and get one of these Fruit Cakes. They cannot be made any better. You haven't the facilities at home for making You haven't the facilities at home for making or baking, and if you did you could not duplicate the receipt. Pound Cake, 'Layer Cake, Angel Food, etc. All sizes in stock and special sizes made to order. Our Wedding Cakes are simply superb. Any design carried out when specified in order.

Special Ice Cream Orders

Always demand special attention and expert workmen. Our reputation has stood the test of thirty years, and to-day it is stronger than ever before. We have special dairy arrangements by which we get the purest cream, and although the price we pay is, as a rule, higher than others, still we are bound to maintain the reputation which has so long been established.

For the holiday season we would suggest some special designs that are appropriate to Christmas, such as Santa Claus, Holly Wreaths or Mistletoe. Other delicious suggestions from this department include Bisque, Nesselrode Pudding, Maron Pudding, Lalla Rookh, Tutti-Fruitti, Cafe Parfait, etc.

Our out-of-town Ice Cream business is growing rapidly. We are the largest shippers of Ice Cream in Richmond, and our many satisfied customers throughout Virginia and North Carolina are enthusiastic in their praise, not only of the quality of our Cream, but the quick, prompt service we maintain. A trial order is all that is needed to convince the most skeptical.

Our Bread is Now Famous

And justly so. Our plant is a model one. From a sanitary standpoint it is surpassed by none. Its mechanical equipment is the most modern in every respect. New machinery of the most approved type has been installed. Our mixing machine is indeed a wonder, and our ovens are so arranged that the heat is under absolute control at all times.

Our Bread has that delicious flavor which can only be obtained by the use of our receipt. The best flour, shortening and yeast are used in such exact proportions that a bad loaf of bread from our ovens is an impossibility. Our bread is the kind mother used to make. children know this, the parents know it also. If mother can make any better bread than this we will pay her a handsome price for her receipt. We have the best facilities for quick shipments, and our mail order department is thoroughly organized for taking care of our out-of-town patrons. Bread will be shipped the same day we receive the order. Write, wire or phone.

A Word About Our Business

This business was begun in 1873, and since its inception has enjoyed a generous patronage, increasing each year in the volume of business. New energy and brains was put into it recently when Mr. C. F. Ross, who is the active head of the present concern, took charge. He is a practical man, one who has reached the top of his profession by hard study and practice. He personally superintends each and every detail, and the public is rapidly taking advantage of the

opportunity to be served by a man who knows the essentials of good catering, ice cream making and baking.

To those who live out of town we offer our mail order department and guarantee satisfaction. Reliable goods at reasonable prices.

Choice Candy for Christmas

We handle as a specialty the following celebrated brands of Boxed Candies: "Whitman's," "Mallard's," New York and that famous Boston brand, "Apollo."

The packages this season are more attractive than usual, and the above brands need no introduction-they are old friends, tried and true.

You may, however, find other kinds in bewil dering profusion, in both plain and fancy mix-tures, at prices within the reach of every pocket-

Special prices on quantites for churches and Sunday-school celebrations.

Don't put off your holiday buying until the last moment. Give us your order now and we will send it when you say.

A Free Gift to Consumers

During the holidays we will give each of our customers absolutely free a Handsome Souvenir. It consists of a Beautiful Pocket Mirror, elaborately decorated, and will always reflect a smiling face when the owner has partaken of some of our delicious confections.

We wish to emphasize the fact that for every dollar or dime spent with us you will get full weight, correct count, absolutely pure products and your "money's worth."

We want you to give us a chance to prove our We want you to give us a change claims for superiority, and if we can't make good, then you will be at liberty to change.

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C. F. ROSS & CO., Phone, Madison 287

Masons Elect.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
WEST POINT, VA., December 13.—
The annual election of officers for the ensuing year held by West Point Lodge, No. 235, A. F. & A. M., resuited as follows:
A. Julian Bagby, worshipful master;
E. L. Smither, senior warden; A. J. Aumack, junior warden; A. W. Honderson, senior deacon; S. H. Hardy, junior deacon; J. L. Bland, treasurer; J. H. Cozzins, secretary,
These officers were installed by Wm. H. Bell, past master.

Woman Disappears,

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

NEW CHURCH, VA., December 13.—

Mrs. Charles Mooney, fifty-six years
old, disappeared from her home on the
Phillips farm, in Tuckahoe Neck,
Thursday evening, and she has not,
since been seen, although she has been
sought by her husband and friends,
As she left home thinly clad, it is,
feared she perished from the cold, and
that her body is in some secluded place.

For some time Mrs. Mooney had
shown signs of melancholla, due to
grief over the loss of three children,
who died within a few days of each
other.

Officers Elected.

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CAPE CHARLES, VA., December 13.

—At a meeting held in the Casino here
the following permanent officers were
elected for the volunteer military company of the Eastern Shore now being
formed: C. A. McKinney, chairman, I.J.
Burbage, secretary. There will be a
called meeting by the chairman at a
later date for the purpose of electling a capitain, a first and second lifetienant.

Surveys Will Be Made as Soon as Preliminaries Are

Case Is Dismissed.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
ACCOMAC, VA., December 18.—Com-

missioner Bond heard and dismissed the case of Captain Frank Sommers, of the oyster sloop Vinnie, of Accomac county, charged with shanghaling Louis Piskatch, an Austrian, and Al-bert Hoffman, a Hungarian.

WENT FOR TROUBLE;
GOT TWO YEARS

[Special to The Times-Dispatch,]
BRISTOL, VA., December 13.—In the
Corporation Court here to-day, Henry
Stout and Harvey Qualis, white men,
tried on a charge of feloniously cutting
two negroes, on the occasion of a recent visit to the negro settlement of
Bristol, were sentenced to two years
each in the penitentiary. The convicted
men were intoxicated and entered the
negro community with a spirit of
slaughter.

Fructures Her Ankle.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
LYNCHBURG, VA., December 13.—
While going to work this morning at
the cotton mill, Mrs. R. D. Jennings
slipped on the ice sidewalk and sustained a fracture to her right ankle.

A Recipe for **Xmas Dinner**

Order liberal supplies of Bromm's pure, clean, de-licious and nutritious

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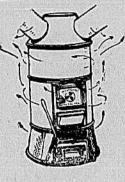
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